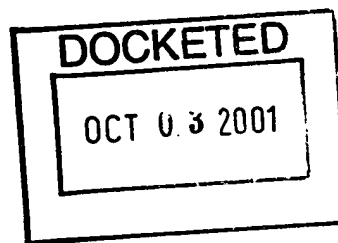




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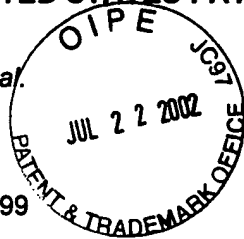
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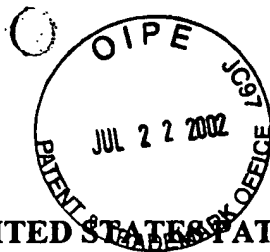
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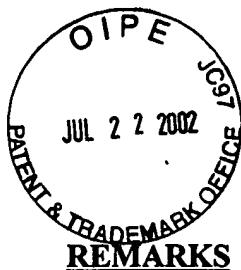
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**RESPONSE TO COMMUNICATION FROM COMMISSIONER AND PETITION
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.181 AND 1.183**

Dear Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the communication from the Examiner mailed July 30, 2001, in which the Examiner stated that the above-identified application failed to comply with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.821-1.825 (the "Sequence Listing Rules") for failing to provide an initial computer readable "Sequence Listing" and a paper copy of the "Sequence Listing." Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the requirement for a Sequence Listing or in the alternative request suspension of the rules (pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.183) relating to the Sequence Listing request. It is believed that no extension of time is necessary. However, if Petitioners are mistaken, please consider this request for an extension of time for two-months and charge our Deposit Account No. 50-1214.

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Docket No. 13839-00010

A. The Sequence Listing Rules Should Be Waived With Respect To The Present Application

The present application is a divisional application of U.S. patent application serial no. 08/484,893, now U.S. Patent No. 6,172,197 B1 (the '197 patent, "parent application"), which was a continuation of U.S. patent application serial no. 07/971,857, now U.S. Patent No. 5,969,108 (the '108 patent, "grandparent application"), which was the U.S. national stage of PCT/GB91/01134 (the '01134 application). In neither case were the Applicants required to provide a Sequence Listing.

The Applicants hereby petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.183 that the Sequence Listing requirement, as applied by M.P.E.P. 2421.01, be waived with respect to the present application. M.P.E.P. 2421.01 states in pertinent part:

The sequence rules require the use of standard symbols and a standard format for sequence data in most sequence-type patent applications. They further require the submission of that data in computer readable form. Compliance is required for most disclosures of sequence data in new applications filed on or after October 1, 1990.

...

In exceptional circumstances, it should be noted that the Office may waive the rules via a 37 CFR 1.183 petition. (Emphasis added)

As indicated above, M.P.E.P. 2421.01 does not require that the Sequence Listing Rules be applied to ALL new applications filed on or after October 1, 1990. Instead, the Sequence Listing Rules may be waived with respect to a new application where "exceptional circumstances" exist. For the reasons stated below, the Applicants respectfully submit that "exceptional circumstances" under M.P.E.P. 2421.01 exist such that the Sequence Listing Rules should be waived with respect to the present application.

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Docket No. 13839-00010

1. Exceptional Circumstances - To provide a Sequence Listing would be unduly burdensome and a hardship

The Applicants respectfully submit that requiring the present application to comply with the Sequence Listing Rules would place undue hardship on the Applicants. The sequence data found in the present application is currently not available in any computer readable form because the PCT application from which the present application ultimately arose was filed in 1991 and was not subject to the Sequence Listing Rules. Hence, neither a paper nor computer readable sequence listing was prepared. Because the sequence data found in the present application is not available in computer readable form, the Applicants would have to manually enter and format numerous peptide and nucleotide sequences which would require a huge expenditure of time and expense without providing commensurate benefit to either the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office or the public especially in view of the fact that none of the sequences are being claimed (nor were they claimed in the parent or grandparent applications). Further, amending the specification and the drawings to recite SEQ ID NOS. would add to the excessive burden particularly in view of the complexity and length of the specification and in fact may result in the necessity of filing a second "substitute specification" for this application, which in turn would add to the Examiner's burden in examining this application.

Furthermore, Applicants respectfully submit that the allowance and issuance of the parent and grandparent applications described above indicate that sequence information contained therein was in a format that allowed appropriate searches to be made and which allowed the Draftsman to accurately present the disclosed sequences, both of which underlie the rationale for requiring sequence listings. *See M.P.E.P. 2420.*

Because manually entering and formatting the sequence data found in the present application as well as amending the specification, preparing new drawings, and the possibility of having to prepare a second substitute specification would be excessively time consuming, prohibitively expensive, and without commensurate benefit to the Patent Office or the public, the Applicants respectfully request that the Sequence Listing Rules be waived with respect to the present application.

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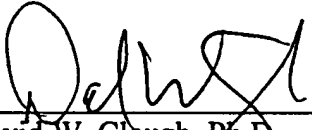
CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, the Applicants believe that because of the "exceptional circumstances" described herein, the Sequence Listing Rules may be properly waived with respect to the present application and waiver is hereby requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required in this application to Deposit Account No. 50-1214.

Respectfully submitted,

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Please find below a communication from the EXAMINER in charge of this application

This application contains sequence disclosures that are encompassed by the definitions for nucleotide and/or amino acid sequences set forth in 37 CFR 1.821(a)(1) and (a)(2). However, this application fails to comply with the requirements of 37 CFR 1.821 through 1.825 for the reason(s) set forth on the attached Notice To Comply With Requirements For Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence And/Or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures.

APPLICANT IS GIVEN A ONE MONTH EXTENDABLE PERIOD WITHIN WHICH TO COMPLY WITH THE SEQUENCE RULES, 37 CFR 1.821 - 1.825. Failure to comply with these requirements will result in ABANDONMENT of the application under 37 CFR 1.821(g). Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136. In no case may an applicant extend the period for response beyond the six month statutory period. Applicant is requested to return a copy of the attached Notice to Comply with the response.

Any inquiry concerning this communication should be directed to P. Ponnaluri whose telephone number is (703) 305-3884. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Jyothsna Venkat, can be reached at (703)308-2439. The fax number for this group is (703)305-3014.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the group receptionist whose telephone number is (703)308-0196.

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The nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence disclosure contained in this application does not comply with the requirements for such a disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. 1.821 - 1.825 for the following reason(s):

- ☒ 1. This application clearly fails to comply with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. 1.821-1.825. Applicant's attention is directed to these regulations, published at 1114 OG 29, May 15, 1990 and at 55 FR 18230, May 1, 1990.
- ☒ 2. This application does not contain, as a separate part of the disclosure on paper copy, a "Sequence Listing" as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.821(c).
- ☒ 3. A copy of the "Sequence Listing" in computer readable form has not been submitted as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.821(e).
- ☐ 4. A copy of the "Sequence Listing" in computer readable form has been submitted. However, the content of the computer readable form does not comply with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. 1.822 and/or 1.823, as indicated on the attached copy of the marked -up "Raw Sequence Listing."
- ☐ 5. The computer readable form that has been filed with this application has been found to be damaged and/or unreadable as indicated on the attached CRF Diskette Problem Report. A Substitute computer readable form must be submitted as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.825(d).
- ☐ 6. The paper copy of the "Sequence Listing" is not the same as the computer readable form of the "Sequence Listing" as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.821(e).
- ☐ 7. Other: *This application is a continuation of application 08/484,893, and do not benefit the filing date of prior International application for Sequence compliance rules.*

Applicant Must Provide:

- ☒ An initial or substitute computer readable form (CRF) copy of the "Sequence Listing".
- ☒ An initial or substitute paper copy of the "Sequence Listing", as well as an amendment directing its entry into the specification.
- ☒ A statement that the content of the paper and computer readable copies are the same and, where applicable, include no new matter, as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.821(e) or 1.821(f) or 1.821(g) or 1.825(b) or 1.825(d).

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Timing of Corrections

Applicant is required to submit the drawing corrections within the time period set in the attached Office communication. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).

Failure to take corrective action within the set period will result in **ABANDONMENT** of the application.